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SUBJ: ECE - HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE:

ISRAELI PARTICIPATION IN STUDY TOUR IN USSR

REF: GENEVA 7045

1. AS OF EVENING SEPTEMBER 7 USSR MISSION GENEVA REPORTED IT HAD RECEIVED NO NEW ADVICE FROM MOSCOW RE ISRAELI PARTICIPATION IN ECE/HBP STUDY TOUR IN USSR SEPT. 11-16. SOVIETS SEEMED LESS CERTAIN THAT PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED BY SEPTEMBER 8 AS PREVIOUSLY INDICATED (REFTEL) AND WONDERED WHETHER WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO WAIT UNTIL THURSDAY OR FRIDAY. US DEL INDICATED NEED FOR DECISION BY WEDNESDAY AS OTHER PARTICIPANTS WOULD NEED TIME TO MAKE OWN PLANS, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THURSDAY LOCAL HOLIDAY GENEVA WHICH WOULD COMPLICATE ISSUANCE OF VISAS AND PROCESSING OF VOUCHERS. IT IS  
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ALSO UNCERTAIN THAT ISRAELIS CAN BE PERSUADED TO REMAIN

QUIET. (OVERALL DISCUSSION OF STUDY TOURS, WHICH WILL COME UP IN HBP COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON OR THURSDAY MORNING, WILL OFFER OPPORTUNITY FOR ISRAELI INTERVEIK

2. SEVERAL WESTERN DELEGATIONS (CANADA, NORWAY, SWEDEN, FRG) HAVE INDICATED TO U.S. DEL LIKELIHOOD THEY WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN STUDY TOUR IF ISRAELIS (OR ANY OTHER UN MEMBER) ARE BARRED AND THEY ARE REQUESTING INSTRUCTIONS TO THIS EFFECT. EXPECTATION IS THAT THERE WOULD BE GENERAL WESTERN BOYCOTT--PARTICULARLY IF US IS PREPARED TO TAKE LEAD.

3. MISSION BELIEVES THAT APART FROM POLITICAL ISSUES INVOLVED, RIGHT OF ALL UN MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ART II OF ECE TERMS OF REFERENCE IN ECE ACTIVITIES MUST BE UPHELD. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED BY 1500 HOURS GENEVA TIME TODAY, US DEL PLANS TO ADVISE SOVIETS AND OTHER WESTERN DELS THAT IT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN STUDY TOUR IF ANY NON-MEMBER APPLICANT HAS NOT BEEN AFFIRMATIVELY ASSURED BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS THURSDAY THAT INTOURIST VOUCHERS AND VISAS WILL BE FORTHCOMING. US DEL HAS NOT YET CONTACTED INTOURIST TRAVEL AGENT.

4. IN VIEW OF URGENCY OF MATTER, MISSION ALSO REQUESTS THAT DEMARCHE BE MADE ON MATTER TO USSR EMBASSY WASHINGTON AND THAT DEPARTMENT CONSIDER SIMILAR DEMARCHE BY EMBASSY MOSCOW TO USSR FOREIGN MINISTRY. (US DEL ADVISED THAT MATTER NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY FORMIN AT "HIGHEST LEVELS".)

5. FYI PROPOSED ISRAELI PARTICIPANT IN STUDY TOUR AND GOI DELEGATE TO CURRENT MEETING OF HBP COMMITTEE IS DAVID WAINSHAL, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HOUSING, AND NOT SHLOMO AVNI WHO HAS USUALLY BEEN ISRAELI REPRESENTATIVE TO ECE/HBP COMMITTEE AND HAS APPARENTLY BEEN INVOLVED IN BUILDING SETTLEMENTS IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. WAINSHAL VISITED U.S. LAST YEAR AND MET WITH US OFFICIALS INCLUDING HUD. RASSIAS OF USDEL ESCORTED HIM ON MEETING WITH THEN HUD ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH AND POLICY  
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6. SUBSEQUENT TO DRAFTING OF ABOVE US DEL ADVISED THAT CANADIAN DEL RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS THAT OTTAWA RELUCTANT TO CANCEL, BUT CANADIAN DEL SHOULD GO TO RUSSIA ONLY IN GOOD COMPANY. CANADIAN DEL PREPARED, IF NECESSARY, TO MAKE FORMAL STATEMENT THIS AFTERNOON THAT CANADA RELUCTANTLY RECONSIDERING DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN

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